

First Presbyterian Church

March 1, 2026
2nd Sunday in Lent



Exodus 3:2

² And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush; and he looked, and lo, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

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Silent Prayer of Preparation

God our hope and our holy companion, we come before you on this Second Sunday of Lent, knowing we can be honest because you know us. You know our prayers even before they form in our minds and are articulated with whispered words. You know how we struggle. You know how we hope. You delight in our joy. You desire our peace. God, come near to us this Second Sunday of Lent, and near to those we love. Sit and stay awhile. Amen.

Prelude *"Hark! Ten Thousand Harps & Voices"* *L. Mason*

Welcome
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Introit

Call to Worship (Mark 8)

Leader: Let us not be ashamed of our Savior. Let us sing and praise our God out loud.
All: In the midst of the crowd, we will praise you. In our community, we will bear witness to our faith.
Leader: Let us set our minds on divine things.
All: Let us take up our cross and follow Christ.

Hymn *"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"* #138

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Savior God, the public spectacle of the cross calls us to account. We hesitate and hedge when opportunities arise to speak of you. We are shy in faith and not bold to proclaim. Your story saves, yet we keep it to ourselves. Forgive our reticence of faith. Forgive the ways we fail to serve as public witnesses. Help us be your candlelight, held high to set the world aglow. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

God does not forsake us. Our God is a gracious God, abounding in steadfast love. Know that in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

Gloria Patri #579

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Anthem Introduction-

Anthem "Rejoice, the Lord is King" Henry Pfohl

WE HEAR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

1st Scripture Reading Matthew 18:20
2nd Scripture Reading Exodus 3:1-15

Sermon: "What's in a Name" Pastor Sugarbaker

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

Hymn "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" #460

The Offering

Call for the Offering

The Offertory "O Lamb of God" Nikolaus Decius

✳️ *The Doxology*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Announcements, Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer (concluding with Lord's Prayer)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD TO DO GOD'S WORK

Hymn "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" #482

Charge and Benediction

✳️ **Benediction...**

✳️ **Benediction Response #586** Amen Danish

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Postlude "Kingsfold" R.V. Williams

Worship Team

Pastor David Sugarbaker
Liturgist Bob Hendrickson
Choir Director Nick Denham
Organist Kristen Gallenstein
Head Usher Sparky McDowell
Greeter Rhonda McDowell
Videographer Drew Wood
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